

Invitation for Bids Number: 04-12

**Acknowledgment of Addenda**

The undersigned acknowledges receipt of the following addenda to the bidding document:

**THE COMPLETED ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ADDENDA FORM  
SHOULD BE RETURNED WITH BID RESPONSE PACKAGE: NOT  
SENT TO RIPTA SEPARATELY**

ADDENDUM NO. 1 DATED: October 7, 2003

NOTE: Failure to acknowledge receipt of all addenda may cause the bid to be considered non-responsive to the solicitation. Acknowledged receipt of each addendum must be clearly established and included with the bid.

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Name of Bidder

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Street Address

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City, State, Zip

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Signature of Authorized Official

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Date

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**Addendum No. 1**

**Date:** **October 7, 2003**

Attached please find the following documents:

Minutes of Pre-Bid Meeting held on October 7, 2003.

Revised drawing containing changes noted as Addendum One.

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The meeting came to order at 1:02p.m. Michael J. McGrane, RIPTA Contract Manager welcomed all those present. Mr. McGrane introduced RIPTA Personnel present. Please refer to the attached Sign-in Sheet for a list of attendees. Mr. McGrane gave a brief background of the specifications for the Bid Package and the purpose of this meeting. Mr. McGrane asked those present to identify themselves when asking questions. Following is a summary of the meeting.

Michael McGrane cautioned prospective bidders to be diligent when completing the required forms, to pay attention to the details such as the required number of copies needed. Vendors need only to submit the required forms listed in the Bid Package on page 46. Vendors having difficulty completing the required forms are encouraged to contact the Michael McGrane for guidance. Mr. McGrane turned the meeting over to Mr. Frank Lombardi, Chief Special Projects Engineer who took this opportunity to remind prospective bidders of the following items of note:

- ◇ Contractor must submit a 'Sequence of Construction' to the owner prior to commencement of construction.
- ◇ Any deviation from this sequence must be in writing. Additionally, all inquiries/requests for verification and/or deviations from the specifications must also be in writing.
- ◇ Start of construction, in consideration of the weather, can begin immediately following submittal of Sequence of Construction. The duration of the contract is 45 calendar days after which time, barring justifiable extensions, penalties will be assessed.
- ◇ There will be a Pre-Construction meeting as soon as the contract is signed again taking into consideration the time of the year and the unforeseeable weather the project will move forward expeditiously.
- ◇ RIPTA will vacate the area upon signing of the contract. The contractor will coordinate all construction so as to keep bus service interruptions at a minimum.
- ◇ Contractor will abide by all State and Local codes and be responsible for obtaining the necessary permits.
- ◇ It will also be the full responsibility of the contractor to notify **Dig-Safe** for clarification of utility locations in the area of the project.
- ◇ Most importantly, the contractor will complete the project in accordance with the Rhode Island Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for all material.
- ◇ It will be the responsibility of the contractor for all testing and inspection of all material and its actual installation.
- ◇ The contractor must submit to the owner the asphalt formula mix and the concrete formula mix that is to be implemented.

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- ◇ The Sampling and Testing will be in accordance with RIDOT project schedule for Sampling, Testing and Certification of Materials and/or as modified in the specifications.
- ◇ The Concrete Curing Plan for compression strength must be a minimum of seven (7) days or a maximum of fourteen (14) days, however 80% compression is desirable. The issue must be addressed along with the concrete formula mix. All the necessary cylinders must be taken and broken accordingly with every attempt to abide by maximum compression strength requirements.
- ◇ As to the setting of the #4 rebar's, they must be set three (3") inches from the top of the concrete finish grade.
- ◇ DBE goal 10%.

The meeting was opened to questions from the various participants:

**Mr. Rocco Ciolfo of Hartford Paving** raised the following questions:

- Could the reinforcing bar be place on concrete blocks to insure correct height?

**Mr. Frank Lombardi of RIPTA:** No, the installation must follow Rhode Island Department of Transportation Specifications.

- How many test samples must be taken, What method is to be used.

**Mr. Frank Lombardi of RIPTA:** The testing procedures and frequency must follow Rhode Island Department of Transportation Protocols. The Contractor is responsible for insuring the testing is done in accordance with the RIDOT protocols.

- Is RIPTA planning on using an on-site inspector for this project?

**Mr. Frank Lombardi of RIPTA:** Yes, I will be the on-site inspector.

- Do you foresee any water problems at this location?

**Mr. Frank Lombardi of RIPTA:** No, I believe the water table is approximately seven feet.

- Is it permissible to leave a space between the new curb and the existing concrete island?

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**Mr. Frank Lombardi of RIPTA:** No, the transition must be smooth.

- What areas are to be landscaped?
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**Mr. David Bennett of Cataldo Associates:** Only the areas that are disturbed during construction.

Mr. David Lucena of Lucena Brothers Inc. raised the following questions.

- Are the existing concrete islands being removed?

**Mr. David Bennett of Cataldo Associates:** No, they are to remain in place. The curbs adjacent to the concrete islands must be replaced

- It may be difficult to replace these curbs adjacent to the islands to insure that the islands do not settle during construction.

**Mr. David Bennett of Cataldo Associates:** Please refer to note three on the drawing, the intent of this project is not to disturb the island.

Have you considered saw cutting the concrete island to form a straight joint?

**Mr. David Bennett of Cataldo Associates:** The issue of the island and the curbing will be addressed through an addendum to the issued shortly.

- Are those bollards designated on the island?

**Mr. David Bennett of Cataldo Associates:** No, they are supports for a canopy on the island. The canopy is approximately 12-14 feet high, it should not interfere with work on the site.

- Where can I find the page to submit the bid price?

**Michael M<sup>c</sup>Grane, RIPTA :** It can be found on page 106.

Michael M<sup>c</sup>Grane reminded those present that this is a prevailing wage job and RIPTA will need all the necessary payroll reports. The Authority also reserves the right to verify wages paid to employees on this project.

Michael M<sup>c</sup>Grane thank all those present for attending the pre-bid meeting. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted Michael J. M<sup>c</sup>Grane, Contracts Manager.